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# COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE AND STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.133

The applicants and the applicants' representative wish to thank Examiner Wilson for the courtesy of the telephonic examiner interview conducted with the undersigned on December 9, 2005. During the interview, amendments to claims 57, 58, 62, 76, 81, and 85 were discussed. In addition, the relevance of the claims in co-pending U.S. application serial no. 11/178,216, filed July 8, 2005, was briefly discussed. Furthermore, on December 12, 2005, the undersigned left a voice mail message for Examiner Wilson regarding co-pending U.S. application serial nos. 10/493,523, filed April 23, 2004; 11/238,702, filed September 29, 2005; and 11/283,621, filed November 21, 2005.

The remarks set forth in the Examiner's Amendment that accompanied the Notice of Allowability dated December 22, 2005 are consistent with the substance of that interview and are

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believed to address the outstanding issues as discussed during the interview. Permission was granted by the undersigned during the interview to amend claims 57, 58, 62, 76, 81, and 85 as indicated in the Notice of Allowability. The applicants note, however, that claim 59 was cancelled by the applicants' Amendment submitted to the Patent Office on February 20, 2004. The disposition of the claims in the subsequent Office Action Summary dated May 25, 2004 and Advisory Action dated December 21, 2004 accurately reflect this. However, page 2 of the Examiner's Amendment incorrectly lists claim 59 as still pending. Accordingly, the applicants respectfully request correction of the record to indicate that claim 59 has been cancelled.

Respectfully submitted,

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